## GWU Battleground 2008 (XXXII)

FINAL

## STUDY \#11363

THE TARRANCE GROUP and LAKE RESEARCH PARTNERS
N = 1,000 Registered "likely" voters
Field Dates: July 15-18, 2007
SPLIT SAMPLE A/B

Hello, I'm $\qquad$ of The Tarrance Group, a national survey research firm. We're talking to people long distance today about public leaders and issues facing us all. May I please speak with a (male/female) in the household who is registered to vote?
A. Are you registered to vote in your state?

IF "NO," ASK: Is there someone else at home who is registered to vote?
(IF "YES," THEN ASK: MAY I SPEAK WITH HIM/HER?)
Yes (CONTINUE)
No (THANK AND TERMINATE)

Now thinking ahead to the elections that will be held this year --
B. What is the likelihood of your voting in the elections to be held this year -- are you extremely likely, very likely, somewhat likely, or not very likely at all to vote?

Extremely Likely.....................................................67\%
(CONTINUE)
Very Likely 26\%
Somewhat Likely........................................................ 8\%
(THANK AND TERMINATE)
Not Very Likely
UNSURE (DNR)
C. Are you, or is anyone in your household, employed with an advertising agency, newspaper, television or radio station, or political campaign?

Yes (THANK AND TERMINATE)
No (CONTINUE)

Now, thinking for a moment about things in the country--

1. Do you feel things in the country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten off on the wrong track?

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: And do you feel strongly or somewhat about that?

Right direction/strongly...........................................13\%
Right direction/somewhat ......................................... 8\%
UNSURE (DNR) ...................................................... 9\%
Wrong track/somewhat ........................................... 12\%
Wrong track/strongly...............................................58\%

[^0]Now, even though the 2008 elections are a long way off...
2. If the election for PRESIDENT were being held today, and you had to make a choice, would you be voting for -- (ROTATE) --

- the Republican candidate or
- the Democrat candidate?

IF "UNDECIDED", ASK: And
Republican...............................................................33\%
which party's candidate do
Lean Republican 5\% you lean toward at this

UNDECIDED (DNR) 14\% you lean toward at this

Lean Democrat . $4 \%$ time?

Democrat 45\%

And, still thinking about the 2008 elections...
3. If the election for CONGRESS were being held today, and you had to make a choice, would you be voting for -- (ROTATE) --

- the Republican candidate or
- the Democrat candidate, in your Congressional district?

IF "UNDECIDED", ASK: And which party's candidate do you lean toward at this time?

Republican 37\%
Lean Republican..................................................................................................3\%
UNDECIDED (DNR) ..............................................13\%
Lean Democrat ..........................................................4\%
Democrat ................................................................. $44 \%$

Still thinking about things here in the U.S. -
4. What do you think is the number one problem facing this part of the country today -- that is, what is the problem that you and your family are most concerned about? (DO NOT READ RESPONSES, JUST RECORD)

NOTE TO INTERVIEWER: After completion of interview, double check this question for proper coding. Try to fit "Others" into a pre-existing category.
Abortion ..... 1\%
Agriculture/farming/ranching ..... AIDS
Auto insurance ..... *Budget deficit
Bush (President George W.). ..... 2\%
Campaign finance reform .....
Child care .....
College/affording

Congress ..... 1\%
Cost of living ..... 1\%
Crime ..... 2\%
Cuts to government programs .....
Deficit ..... *
Democrats ..... *
Drugs ..... 1\%
Economy ..... 6\%
Education ..... 2\%
Energy costs (gasoline for automobiles) . 4\%
Energy costs (home heating) ..... *
Environment ..... 2\%
Foreign affairs ..... 1\%
Gangs. .....
Government/size/regulation ..... 1\%
Government spending ..... 1\%
Growth/overdevelopment .....
Guns ..... *
Health care (cost/quality of) ..... 9\%
Health insurance (cost/lack of) ..... 2\%
Homeless/poverty ..... 1\%
Housing (costs/lack of) ..... 1\%
Immigration ..... 10\%
Inflation ..... 1\%
Interest rates ..... *
Jobs ..... 3\%
Job training
Lawsuits/Litigation
Loss of Industry
Medicare/Medicaid ..... *
Moral/religious concerns ..... 2\%
National Defense ..... 1\%
Politicians/incumbents ..... 1\%
Pollution ..... *
Prescription drugs. ..... *
Property taxes ..... *
Racism .....
Retirement ..... *
Roads/highways
Senior citizens .....
Social security ..... 1\%
Taxes ..... 2\%
Tax increases ..... 1\%
Television/violence \& sex ..... 5\%
Tobacco ..... *
Traffic
Unemployment ..... *
Unions ..... 1\%
Violence
Wages
Welfare (reform)
Water (shortage/quality) ..... 23\%
OTHER
UNSURE
...

Schools/school choice .
$\square$* * .




Still thinking about Congress...

## (ROTATE Qs 5-6)

Now, thinking specifically about Congressional Democrats...
5. How would you rate the job Congressional Democrats have been doing this year? Do you approve or disapprove of the job they are doing?

## IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:

And do you feel strongly about that?

Approve/strongly......................................................18\%
Approve ................................................................... 19\%
UNSURE (DNR) .................................................... 11\%
Disapprove...............................................................10\%
Disapprove/strongly ................................................ $43 \%$
(CGDEMJA)
Now, thinking specifically about Congressional Republicans...
6. How would you rate the job Congressional Republicans have been doing this year? Do you approve or disapprove of the job they are doing?

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:
Approve/strongly..................................................... 12\%
Approve ....................................................................16\%
UNSURE (DNR) ....................................................11\%
Disapprove...............................................................10\%
Disapprove/strongly ................................................51\%

## (CGGOPJA)

Now, turning to President George W. Bush...
7. How would you rate the job George W. Bush has been doing as President? Do you approve or disapprove of the job he is doing?

## IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:

Approve/strongly..................................................... 19\%
And do you feel strongly
Approve
16\%
about that?
UNSURE (DNR) .......................................................4\%

Disapprove.................................................................6\%
Disapprove/strongly ................................................55\%
(GWBJA)

## And,

8. Whether you approve of disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President, what is your impression of George W. Bush as a person? Do you approve or disapprove of him?
IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: Approve/strongly ..... 37\%
And do you stronglyApprove/somewhat20\%
(approve/disapprove) UNSURE (DNR). ..... 8\%
or somewhat (approve/ Disapprove/somewhat ..... 6\%
disapprove)? Disapprove/strongly ..... 29\%
(GWBPA)

Now, thinking now about the war in Iraq -
9. All in all, do you think the war in Iraq is worth fighting, or not?

Worth fighting/strongly...........................................31\%
Worth fighting/somewhat........................................ 12\%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) ...................................5\%
Not worth fighting/somewhat ...................................8\%
Not worth fighting/strongly.....................................45\%
(IRAQYN)

Thinking now about the Congressional Democrats and the War in Iraq...
10. How much influence do you think Congressional Democrats can have on the War in Iraq?

Would you say they could have a lot, some, a little, or not much influence?
A lot........................................................................ $35 \%$
Some. .36\%
A little....................................................................10\%
Not much ..............................................................15\%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) ................................ 4\%
(IRAQDEM)
Now, thinking about Congressional Republicans and the War in Iraq...
11. How much influence do you think Congressional Republicans can have on the War in Iraq?

Would you say they could have a lot, some, a little, or not much influence?
A lot....................................................................... $41 \%$
Some .35\%
A little.................................................................... $10 \%$
Not much ................................................................11\%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) ................................ 2\%

Now, thinking about the future...
12. Do you believe that in the future your children will be

## (ROTATE CHOICES -- TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

- Better off
- About the same, OR
- Worse off
than you are right now?
Better off ..... 32\%
About the same ..... 24\%
Worse off ..... 38\%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) ..... 7\%

Turning now to the economy...
13. How much influence do you think Congressional Democrats can have on the economy? Would you say they could have a lot, some, a little, or not much influence?
A lot ..... 44\%
Some ..... 35\%
A little ..... 9\%
Not much ..... 10\%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) ..... 3\%

(ECONDEM)

And, thinking about Congressional Republicans and the economy...
14. How much influence do you think Congressional Republicans can have on the economy? Would you say they could have a lot, some, a little, or not much influence?
A lot ..... 39\%
Some ..... 38\%
A little ..... 10\%
Not much ..... 10\%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) ..... 3\%
15. Which of these qualities is the most important for a Member of Congress to possess:

## (ROTATE CHOICES)

- Strength of values and convictions, OR
- Willingness to find practical, workable solutions to the country's problems?

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: $\quad$ Strength of values and convictions /strongly ................................31\%
And do you feel strongly Strength of values and convictions................................................ 1\%
about that? UNSURE (DNR)............................................................................ 5\%
Willingness to find practical, workable solutions ........................... $5 \%$
Willingness to find practical, workable solutions/strongly..........59\%
(VALSOL)

## (SPLIT SAMPLE A/B)

16A. Do you believe that lawmakers in Washington: (ROTATE CHOICES) put you first or put partisan politics first?

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: Put me first /strongly ................................................................3\%
And do you feel strongly
Put me first...............................................................................1\% about that?

UNSURE (DNR) .....................................................................3\%
Put partisan politics first...........................................................5\%
Put partisan politics first /strongly ......................................... 88\%
(MEPOLA)
16B. Do you believe that your Member of Congress: (ROTATE CHOICES) puts you first or puts partisan politics first?

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: Puts me first/strongly.............................................................14\%
And do you feel strongly
Puts me first
. 5
about that? UNSURE (DNR) ................................................................... $11 \%$
Puts partisan politics first ......................................................... 8\%
Puts partisan politics first/strongly........................................63\%
(MEPOLA)

## ***ASK OF EVERYONE***

Now I would like to read you the names of several individuals and organizations who have been mentioned in the news recently. For each one, please tell me whether you have heard of that person or organization and if so, whether you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of them. If you do not recognize the name, just say so.

WAIT FOR RESPONSE, THEN ASK: Would that be a strongly (favorable/unfavorable) impression or just a somewhat (favorable/unfavorable) impression?

| (ROTATE NAMES) |  | FAVORABLE |  | UNFAVORABLE |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { NO } \\ \text { OPIN. } \end{gathered}$ | NEVER HEARD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Strng | Smwht | Smwht | Strng |  |  |
| 17. | George W. Bush (GWBID) | 23\% | 20\% | 12\% | 43\% | 2\% | * |
| 18. | The Republicans in Congress (GOPID) | 11\% | 31\% | 23\% | 26\% | 8\% | 1\% |
| 19. | The Democrats in Congress (DEMID) | 17\% | 32\% | 18\% | 27\% | 7\% | 1\% |
| 20. | Nancy Pelosi ("peh-LOW-see") (NPID) | 14\% | 23\% | 10\% | 30\% | 10\% | 12\% |
| 21. | Harry Reid (HRID) | 6\% | 12\% | 6\% | 17\% | 15\% | 45\% |
| 22. | Dick Cheney (RBCID) | 15\% | 22\% | 15\% | 43\% | 5\% | 1\% |

Now, I would like to read you a list of statements that some people have said about government and politics. Please listen carefully as I read each statement and tell me if you would agree or disagree with that particular statement.
(READ AND ROTATE)
IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: Is that strongly (agree/disagree) or somewhat (agree/disagree)?

|  |  | AGREE |  |  | DISAGREE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | strng | smwht | UNSURE (DNR) | smwht | strng |
| 23. | Most elected officials are basically trustworthy. <br> (PROMPT: DO YOU AGREE OR DISAGREE WITH THIS STATEMENT?) | 9\% | 34\% | 3\% | 27\% | 28\% |
| 24. | Most elected officials are trying their best to find solutions to our nation's problems. | 13\% | 35\% | 2\% | 21\% | 29\% |
| 25. | Voting gives people like me some say about how the government runs things. | 36\% | 36\% | 1\% | 11\% | 16\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | (AGR1-3) |  |

(END ROTATION)

Now I would like to read you the names of several other individuals who have been mentioned in the news recently. For each one, please tell me whether you have heard of that person and if so, whether you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of them. If you do not recognize the name, just say so.

WAIT FOR RESPONSE, THEN ASK: Would that be a strongly (favorable/unfavorable) impression or just a somewhat (favorable/unfavorable) impression?

| (ROTATE NAMES) |  | FAVORABLE |  | UNFAVORABLE |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { NO } \\ \text { OPIN. } \end{gathered}$ | NEVER HEARD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Strng | Smwht | Smwht | Strng |  |  |
| 26. | Mitt Romney (MRID) | 9\% | 26\% | 14\% | 10\% | 17\% | 24\% |
| 27. | Rudy Giuliani (RWGID) | 23\% | 37\% | 14\% | 17\% | 5\% | 4\% |
| 28. | Barack Obama (BOID) | 28\% | 31\% | 12\% | 15\% | 8\% | 6\% |
| 29. | John McCain (JMID) | 14\% | 41\% | 18\% | 16\% | 9\% | 4\% |
| 30. | Hillary Clinton (HRCID) | 27\% | 23\% | 8\% | 40\% | 1\% | * |
| 31. | John Edwards (JEID) | 19\% | 34\% | 13\% | 22\% | 7\% | 5\% |
| 32. | Fred Thompson (FRID) | 15\% | 23\% | 8\% | 7\% | 15\% | 32\% |
| 33. | Michael Bloomberg (MBID) | 7\% | 26\% | 13\% | 9\% | 23\% | 23\% |

Now I would like to read you just a few more individuals who have been mentioned in the news recently. For each one, please tell me whether you have heard of that person and if so, whether you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of them. If you do not recognize the name, just say so.

WAIT FOR RESPONSE, THEN ASK: Would that be a strongly (favorable/unfavorable) impression or just a somewhat (favorable/unfavorable) impression?

| (ROTATE NAMES) |  | FAVORABLE |  | UNFAVORABLE |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { NO } \\ \text { OPIN. } \end{gathered}$ | NEVER <br> HEARD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Strng | Smwht | Smwht | Strng |  |  |
| 34. | Your Member of Congress (MOCID) | 23\% | 42\% | 14\% | 9\% | 8\% | 4\% |
| 35. | Your representatives in the state legislature (SLID) | 22\% | 43\% | 11\% | 10\% | 9\% | 5\% |
| 36. | Politicians, in general (POLID) | 6\% | 37\% | 34\% | 19\% | 4\% | * |
| 37. | Political consultants <br> (PCID) | 4\% | 22\% | 22\% | 23\% | 19\% | 10\% |
| 38. | Lobbyists (LSID) | 3\% | 16\% | 22\% | 43\% | 8\% | 7\% |
| 39. | Corporate executives (CEID) | 6\% | 29\% | 23\% | 27\% | 10\% | 5\% |
| 40. | Entertainers (ENTID) | 11\% | 34\% | 19\% | 21\% | 12\% | 3\% |

## ***SPLIT SAMPLE A*** <br> (ROTATE Qs 41A-42A)

Now, even though it is a long way off, as you think about the election for President that will held in 2008 -
41A. If the 2008 election for President were held today and you had to make a choice between these two candidates, for whom would you vote...

## (ROTATE NAMES)

- Rudy Giuliani, the Republican, OR
- Hillary Clinton, the Democrat?

IF "UNDECIDED", ASK: And
$\qquad$
Giuliani/definitely
34\%
which candidate do you lean Giuliani/lean $\quad$ 2\%
toward slightly?
Giuliani/lean .............................................................. 2\%

UNDECIDED (DNR) ...............................................6\%
IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:
Would you say that you are
Clinton/lean
2\%
definitely going to vote
Clinton/probably
12\%
for him/her, or probably
Clinton/definitely......................................................30\%
going to vote for him/her?

42A. If the 2008 election for President were held today and you had to make a choice between these two candidates, for whom would you vote...

## (ROTATE NAMES)

- Fred Thompson, the Republican, OR
- Hillary Clinton, the Democrat?

IF "UNDECIDED", ASK: And
Thompson/definitely
.32\%
which candidate do you lean
Thompson/probably
11\%
toward slightly?
Thompson/lean 2\%

## IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:

Would you say that you are
definitely going to vote
for him/her, or probably
going to vote for him/her?

UNDECIDED (DNR) ............................................... $8 \%$
Clinton/lean ............................................................... 2\%
Clinton/probably......................................................14\%
Clinton/definitely.....................................................31\%

## ***SPLIT SAMPLE B*** <br> (ROTATE Qs 41B-42B)

Now, even though it is a long way off, as you think about the election for President that will held in 2008 -
41B. If the 2008 election for President were held today and you had to make a choice between these two candidates, for whom would you vote...

## (ROTATE NAMES)

- Rudy Giuliani, the Republican, OR
- Barack Obama, the Democrat?

IF "UNDECIDED", ASK: And
Giuliani/definitely....................................................26\%
which candidate do you lean
toward slightly?
Giuliani/lean ..............................................................3\%

UNDECIDED (DNR)...............................................6\%
IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:
Would you say that you are
Obama/lean................................................................2\%
definitely going to vote
Obama/probably ......................................................18\%
for him, or probably
Obama/definitely .....................................................32\%
going to vote for him?

Now, even though it is a long way off, as you think about the election for President that will held in 2008 -
42B. If the 2008 election for President were held today and you had to make a choice between these two candidates, for whom would you vote...
(ROTATE NAMES)

- Fred Thompson, the Republican, OR
- Barack Obama, the Democrat?

IF "UNDECIDED", ASK: And which candidate do you lean toward slightly?

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:
Would you say that you are
definitely going to vote for him, or probably going to vote for him?
Thompson/definitely ..... 19\%
Thompson/probably ..... 14\%
Thompson/lean ..... 3\%
UNDECIDED (DNR) ..... 9\%
Obama/lean ..... 5\%
Obama/probably ..... 20\%
Obama/definitely ..... 31\%

Thinking one more time about the election in 2008 for President -
As you may have heard, some people are encouraging a third party candidate to run for President. .

## IF CANDIDATE CHOSEN IN Q41 OR Q42, ASK:

43-1. If a third party candidate were to run for President, is it likely that you would vote for him or her INSTEAD of your first choice candidate?

## IF CANDIDATE NOT CHOSEN IN Q43 OR Q43, ASK:

43-2. If a third party candidate were to run for President, is it likely that you would vote for him or her?

> IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: Yes/strongly..............................................................14\%

And do you feel strongly about that?

Yes ............................................................................. 8\%
UNSURE (DNR) .................................................... 20\%
No.............................................................................10\%
No/strongly ..............................................................49\%
(TRDYN)
Still thinking about possible third party candidates for President...
Some are encouraging the current Mayor of New York City, Michael Bloomberg, to run for President as an Independent candidate.

## IF CANDIDATE CHOSEN IN Q41 OR Q42, ASK:

44-1. If Michael Bloomberg were to run as a candidate for President, is it likely that you would vote for him INSTEAD of your first choice candidate?

## IF CANDIDATE NOT CHOSEN IN Q41 OR Q42, ASK:

44-2. If Michael Bloomberg were to run as a candidate for President, is it likely that you would vote for him?

## IF CHOICE MADE, ASK:

And do you feel strongly about that?

Yes/strongly...............................................................5\%
Yes .............................................................................4\%
UNSURE (DNR) .................................................... $10 \%$
No............................................................................ $12 \%$
No/strongly .............................................................. 70\%
(MBYN)

## (SPLIT SAMPLE A)

Thinking again about issues facing the country --
Now, I would like to read you a list of issues that some people from this part of the country have said are important to them. Please listen as I read the list and tell me, for each one, which political party would do a better job of handling this issue-- (ROTATE) • the Republican Party or the Democratic Party. Here is the first one:
(READ LIST \& ROTATE)

|  | $\underline{\text { GOP }}$ | DEMS | $\frac{\text { NONE }}{\text { (DNR) }}$ | $\frac{\text { UNSURE }}{(D N R)}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 45A. | Iraq <br> (PROMPT: WHO DO YOU THINK <br> WOULD DO A BETTER JOB <br> HANDLING THIS ISSUE - <br> (ROTATE) THE REPUBLICAN <br> PARTY OR THE DEMOCRATIC <br> PARTY?) |  |  |  |  |
| 46A. | Jobs | $37 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| 47A. | Energy independence | $38 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| 48A. | Deficits | $29 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| 49A. | Taxes | $38 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| 50A. | Social Security | $33 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| 51A. | The economy | $44 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

Still thinking about which party would be better to handle these issues...
Please tell me which political party would do a better job of handling this issue-- (ROTATE) • the Republican Party or the Democratic Party.
(READ LIST \& ROTATE)

|  | GOP | DEMS | $\frac{\text { NONE }}{(\text { DNR }}$ | $\frac{\text { UNSURE }}{(\text { DNR })}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 52A. | Terrorism | $49 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $9 \%$ |
| 53A. | Moral values | $42 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $9 \%$ |
| 54A. | Illegal immigration | $41 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| 55A. | Healthcare | $29 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| 56A. | Corruption in Washington | $26 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| 57A. | Wasteful government spending | $33 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $8 \%$ |

(END ROTATION)

## (SPLIT SAMPLE B)

Thinking again about issues facing the country --
Now, I would like to read you a list of issues that some people from this part of the country have said are important to them. Please listen as I read the list and tell me, for each one, who would do a better job of handling this issue-- (ROTATE) • President Bush or the Democratic Party. Here is the first one: (READ LIST \& ROTATE)

PRES.
$\underline{\text { BUSH }}$ DEMS $\frac{\text { NONE }}{\text { (DNR) }} \frac{\text { UNSURE }}{(D N R)}$

| 45B. | Iraq <br> (PROMPT: WHO DO YOU THINK <br> WOULD DO A BETTER JOB <br> HANDLING THIS ISSUE - <br> (ROTATE) PRESIDENT BUSH <br> OR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY?) | $40 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 46B. | Jobs | $41 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| 47B. | Energy independence | $29 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

(END ROTATION)

Still thinking about who would be better to handle these issues...
Please tell me who would do a better job of handling this issue-- (ROTATE) • President Bush or the Democratic Party. Here is the first one: (READ LIST \& ROTATE)

|  |  | PRES. <br> BUSH | DEMS | $\frac{\text { NONE }}{\text { (DNR) }}$ | $\frac{\text { UNSURE }}{\text { (DNR) }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 52B. | Terrorism | 51\% | 41\% | 3\% | 5\% |
| 53B. | Moral values | 47\% | 43\% | 5\% | 6\% |
| 54B. | Illegal immigration | 33\% | 50\% | 10\% | 7\% |
| 55B. | Healthcare | 31\% | 59\% | 5\% | 5\% |
| 56B. | Corruption in Washington | 34\% | 47\% | 12\% | 7\% |
| 57B. | Wasteful government spending | 33\% | 51\% | 11\% | 5\% |

## (ROTATE Qs58/59 and 60/61)

Still thinking about Congress...
I will read you some criticisms that people have made of the Democratic Congress. Please tell me which one comes closest to your own top criticism.

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: And which criticism is your next top criticism?

| Q58 | Q59 |
| :---: | :---: |
| TOP | NEXT TOP |
| CRITICISM | CRITICISM |
| $18 \%$ | $20 \%$ |
| $9 \%$ | $19 \%$ |

- Too liberal 14\%
- Gave in to President Bush on the War in Iraq

24\%
11\%

- Do not support President Bush enough 11\%
- Too interested in raising taxes $10 \% 12 \%$
- Too focused on the poor $4 \%$
- COMBINATION/EQUALLY (DNR) 3\%
- OTHER (DNR) $1 \%$
- NONE (DNR) 4\% 4\%
- UNSURE (DNR) 4\% 4\%

Still thinking about Congress...
I will read you some criticisms that people have made of the Republicans in Congress. Please tell me which one comes closest to your own top criticism.

IF CHOICE MADE, ASK: And which criticism is your next top criticism?

## Q60 <br> TOP CRITICISM

- Did not get anything done when they were in charge

13\%
Q61 NEXT TOP CRITICISM

12\%
$11 \%$

- Too tied to lobbyists and corruption

4\%
$16 \%$

- Too conservative

6\%

- Not providing enough oversight on the War in Iraq

15\%
19\%

- Supporting President Bush too much 13\%

12\%

- Too willing to allow deficit spending $12 \%$

16\%

- Too focused on the rich $19 \%$
- COMBINATION/EQUALLY (DNR) 4\%
- OTHER (DNR)
$1 \%$
- NONE (DNR) 3\%

14\%
*
*
$3 \%$

- UNSURE (DNR)

5\%
$2 \%$
(CRITGOP1-2)

Now, just a few final questions for statistical purposes only --
D1. What is your age, please?
18-24.......................................................................... $3 \%$
25-29.........................................................................4\%
30-34..........................................................................4\%
35-39.......................................................................... 6\%
40-44......................................................................... 8\%
45-54....................................................................... 23\%
55-64........................................................................23\%
65-69.......................................................................... 8\%
70-74.......................................................................... 7\%
75-79..........................................................................6\%
80-84..........................................................................4\%
85-89......................................................................... $2 \%$
90 or over................................................................... $1 \%$
REFUSED ................................................................. $2 \%$

D2. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

## (DO NOT READ, JUST RECORD)

Some grade school (1-8) ........................................... 1\%
Some high school (9-11) ...........................................3\%
Graduated high school (12).....................................23\%
Technical/vocational (12)..........................................3\%
Some college (13-15) ..............................................24\%
Graduated college (16)............................................27\%
Graduate/professional school (16 or more) ............18\%
Unsure/Refused ..........................................................1\%
(EDUC)

D3. When thinking about politics and government, do you consider yourself to be...
(READ LIST, ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)
Very conservative....................................................18\%
Somewhat conservative........................................... $45 \%$
MODERATE (DNR) ................................................ 2\%
Somewhat liberal.....................................................27\%
Very liberal .................................................................6\%
UNSURE/DK (DNR) ............................................... 2\%
(IDEOL)

D4. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent?
IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT, Republican/strong. ..... 21\%
ASK: Would you call yourself a Republican/not strong ..... 13\%
strong or a not very strong Lean Republican ..... 7\%
(Republican/Democrat)?
IF INDEPENDENT OR ANYTHINGELSE, ASK: Do you think
of yourself as closer to the
Republican or Democrat Party? NO PREFERENCE (DNR) ..... 2\%ndependent15\%
Lean Democrat ..... 7\%
Democrat/not strong ..... 9\%
Democrat/strong ..... 26\%
OTHER (DNR) ..... *
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) ..... 1\%

D5. Which of these statements best describes how you have usually voted in past elections?
(READ LIST, ROTATE TOP TO Straight Republican .................................................... $9 \%$
BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)
Mostly Republican ...................................................25\%
A few more Republicans than Democrats................14\%
INDEPENDENT/THE PERSON (DNR)..................3\%
A few more Democrats than Republicans................10\%
Mostly Democrat ......................................................24\%
Straight Democrat.....................................................13\%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR).....................................3\%
(PARTY)

D6. Are you a member of a labor union, including trade unions, service employee unions, public employee unions, and teachers unions?

IF NO, THEN ASK: Is anyone in your household a member of one of these types of labor unions?

Labor Union Member.............................................. 14\%
Labor Union Household............................................6\%
Non-Union Household ............................................ 80\%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) ...................................... *
(UNION)

D7. What is your current marital status -- are you -- • single and never married, • married, • separated,

- divorced, or •widowed?

Single ...................................................................... 12\%
Married ................................................................... 65\%
Separated ..................................................................1\%
Divorced ..................................................................11\%
Widowed ................................................................ $11 \%$
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) ..................................... *
(MARITAL)

D8. Do you have children under the age of 18 living at home?
$\qquad$
Yes
.27\%
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) 73\%
.................................
(CHILD)

D9. What is the church you or your family attends most often?
IF BAPTIST, ASK: Is that Southern Baptist or some other Baptist church?
(DO NOT READ RESPONSES, JUST RECORD)
AME (Africa Methd. Episcopal) ..... 1\%
Assemblies of God ..... 1\%
Baptist/American ..... 3\%
Baptist/Missionary or Indep.
or Primitive or other ..... 5\%
Baptist/Southern ..... 8\%
Bible Church .....
Christian Church ..... 3\%
Christian Reformed Church .....
Church of Christ ..... 2\%
Church of God ..... 1\%
Disciples of Christ .....
Episcopalian ..... 2\%
Evangelical ..... 1\%
Friends .....
FundamentalistEastern/Greek Orthodox................................ **
Jewish ..... 1\%
Lutheran ..... 5\%
Mennonite ..... *
Methodist/United Methodist ..... 8\%
Mormon/Latter Day Saints ..... 2\%
Nazarene ..... *
Non-denominational ..... 4\%
Other Protestant. ..... 3\%
Pentecostal/Charismatic ..... 2\%
Presbyterian/United Presb ..... 4\%
Quaker/Amish ..... *
Reformed Church in America ..... *
Roman Catholic ..... 23\%
Seventh Day Adventist .....
United Church of Christ ..... 1\%
OTHER (SPECIFY) ..... 4\%
None (TO D10) ..... 15\%
DK/REFUSED (TO D10) ..... 4\%

## IF ANY RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION IN D9, ASK:

D9-1. And how often do you attend church (or synagogue)?
More than once a week......................................... $16 \%$
Once a week .......................................................... $36 \%$
Several times a month............................................16\%
Once a month......................................................... 7\%
Several times a year...............................................15\%
Only on holidays.................................................... 7\%
NEVER/DON'T ATTEND ..................................... 2\%
UNSURE/REFUSED ............................................. 1\%
(DENOMFRQ)

## IF ANY RELIGION NAMED IN D9 EXCEPT CODE 17, THEN ASK:

D9-2. Do you consider yourself to be a born-again or evangelical Christian?

> Born-again/evangelical..........................................44\%

Not born-again......................................................53\%
REFUSED (DNR) ................................................. 4\%
(BORN)
**ASK OF EVERYONE**
D10. What do you consider to be your race? Are you white, African-American, Hispanic, Asian, Native American or some other race?

White........................................................................ 79\%
Black/African-American ......................................... 11\%
Hispanic/Latino (TO 18)...........................................5\%
Asian/Pacific American..............................................1\%
Native American......................................................... $1 \%$
Other (Specify ___................................................. *
UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) .................................. 3\%
(RACE)

## FOR ALL RESPONSES EXCEPT "HISPANIC/LATINO," ASK:

D10-1. And, do you consider yourself a Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking American?

| Yes. | 3\% |
| :---: | :---: |
| No.. | . $95 \%$ |
| UNSURE/REFUSED (DNR) | . $\%$ |

(HISP)

## D11. Sex/Emp (BY OBSERVATION)

ASK OF EVERYONE: Are you employed outside the house, are you a homemaker, or are you retired?
Male/employed ..... 29\%
Male/homemaker .....
Male/retired ..... 16\%
Male/not in labor force ..... 1\%
Female/employed ..... 25\%
Female/homemaker ..... 7\%
Female/retired ..... 19\%
Female/not in labor force ..... 2\%
MALE/REFUSED (DNR) ..... 1\%
FEMALE/REFUSED (DNR) ..... *

D12. RECORD REGION CODE FROM SAMPLE $\qquad$

D13. RECORD STATE/COUNTY CODE FROM SAMPLE $\qquad$

D14. RECORD DMA FROM SAMPLE $\qquad$ - $\qquad$

D15. RECORD CD CODE FROM SAMPLE $\qquad$

## D16. RECORD URBAN/SUBURBAN/RURAL CODE

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[^0]:    * = Less Than 5\%

